

The Heartbeat

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Only One Life

There are those moments that stop us in our tracks, those moments that bring us face to face with the reality of the transience of this life. In these moments, it makes me ponder more deeply how my days, my time, my energy are being spent; these are lessons that senior saints and baby believers alike are constantly learning in the ongoing journey of sanctification and for those we serve here at Life Saver Ministries, the message is one that is sometimes being heard for the very first time. The concepts of "legacy", "purpose", "fulfillment" are foreign terms in a land of constant distraction, deception, deviance, and despair. To be able to communicate to the moms we serve that they have a life that God can use to break the cycle, to change the future, to have an impact can seem like a daunting task largely because it is one. As I have said before, so many of the families we serve are in constant survival mode, week after month after year after decade. It's both exhausting and heartbreaking to watch yet I know God will use us in great ways to reach as many as He will grant us the honor of being used to reach in His name and through His unrivaled power alone. We were poignantly and painfully reminded of the fleeting nature of this life very recently in the tragic passing of an area man who was a friend to our ministry, a leader to many, an evangelist in word and deed. Albert Adamkoski is known for being a man after God's heart and the manner in which God took Al back to Himself was sudden and poetic in that he gave his life in the effort to save others. A beautiful day with family and friends on the lake that Al had likely swam in hundreds of times ended in tragedy after he failed to surface above water after rescuing a child in distress. The horror of that day will undoubtedly playback over in the minds and hearts of those who witnessed it and I pray God will protect the hearts and minds of his family from the anger and resentment that can so easily find its way into our hearts. I can only imagine what Al is experiencing now and what that moment of slipping into the depths of the lake that he was raised on into the arms of His Lord and Savior was like. There will never be human language and words that can describe it, I'm sure, and while our hearts break for his beloved wife and adoring children, I was astounded by the level of strength that his wife, Hannah, a daughter of the King, exemplified in penning the words below to a community that is deeply saddened by this profound loss and eagerly yet silently watching the response of believers to one of their own being tragically swept away from this life to the next. I pray that the passing of this local giant of the faith will bring many souls to Christ. I pray that his precious family will find fervor in serving Christ as they walk through the valley of the shadow of death. I pray that this indescribable pain will somehow bring untold glory to God and draw souls to Him and I will add Al to countless others who I know we will be welcomed by when we cross onto Heaven's shores and prayerfully hear the very words I trust Albert heard: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

"Only one life, 'twill soon be past, Only what's done for Christ will last..."

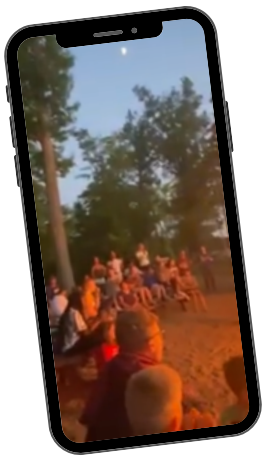
In Loving Remembrance
by Hannah Adamkoski



Albert Adamkoski

"If you knew Albert, then you knew how big of a person he was. He did everything big, he dreamed big, loved big, he gave big, that's just who he was. He always said "Anything worth doing, is worth overdoing. Go big or go home! Anything worth doing is hard work. Moderation is for wimps." He always said, "Dream big for God." And he did. God came first in his life, and it was evident in every part of his life. He had a heart for missions and seeing the gospel go around the world. He was one of the strongest, hardest working men I ever meet. He was a man with big faith, he just believed God and prayed for things that seemed impossible. And that allowed me to witness so many times, God doing the impossible. Life with him was never boring, he wasn't a big planner, he wanted to leave room for living. The best 14 years of my life were spent with him, I could not have asked for a better husband. God came first in his life but I got to be number two. It was a pretty awesome spot, he treated me better than I could've ever imagined. I so enjoyed serving God with him, we were a team. I couldn't have asked for a better father for my children. He loved them so deeply, he would do anything for them. He gave them a wonderful life and showed them how to work, love God and love others. The hole in our hearts is so big and the pain so deep. But we know that in the midst of all the pain we are feeling, that he is with our Savior. The one he loved so much, the one that saved him and changed his life. He never got over being born again. His voice still rings in my ears, "On June 10, 2001 at 3:05 in the afternoon, I passed from death unto life." There weren't many times that he stood to preach that he didn't talk about the day he was saved. I want to remind you today, life is short and we don't know when we will take our last breath. Albert knew the Lord, he lived for him and when he stood before him he heard the words, "well done." If you don't know Jesus Christ as your Savior, or if you do and you're living your life away from him, today is the day of salvation. Albert wanted his life to point others to Christ in every way. He prayed daily for the salvation and the restoration of many. Our prayer is that in his death the Lord would be lifted up, and that many lives would forever be changed. As we grieve, we cling to the hope of heaven and are thankful for the wonderful years we spent together. He died giving his life for others, just like our Savior died giving his life for us."

Only One Life, 'Twill Soon Be Past, by C.T. Studd



Here are some snapshots of camp experiences made possible thanks to your generosity; the impact of weeks spent at camp will echo through the lives of everyone who attended and we are so grateful for the seeds of faith that were planted and for the promise that God's Word never returns void.

Save the Date!

SATURDAY, 10.1/ 6 P.M . TOWN OF FLORIDA HALL,
167 FORT HUNTER ROAD, AMSTERDAM, NY

Our annual fundraising banquet is fast approaching and sure be a memorable event filled with food, fellowship and opportunities to further partner with Life Saver Ministries in this life affirming, life changing work; reservations are being accepted for individuals, pairs and groups! You are welcome to make your reservation by mailing a check payable to Life Saver Ministries, PO Box 407, Gloversville, NY 12078 or by emailing us at lifesaverheartbeat@gmail.com with your reservation details. Payment may be made at the door the evening of the banquet, as well.

\$40 per person, \$75 per pair, \$200 table of 6, \$250 table of 8.

Praise Update!



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Two little lines I heard one day,
Traveling along life's busy way;
Bringing conviction to my heart,
And from my mind would not depart
**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Only one life, yes only one,
Soon will its fleeting hours be done;
Then, in 'that day' my Lord to meet,
And stand before His Judgement seat;
**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Only one life, the still small voice,
Gently pleads for a better choice
Bidding me selfish aims to leave,
And to God's holy will to cleave;
**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Only one life, a few brief years,
Each with its burdens, hopes, and fears;
Each with its clays I must fulfill,
living for self or in His will;

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

When this bright world would tempt me sore,
When Satan would a victory score;
When self would seek to have its way,
Then help me Lord with joy to say;

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Give me Father, a purpose deep,
In joy or sorrow Thy word to keep;
Faithful and true what e'er the strife,
Pleasing Thee in my daily life;

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Oh, let my love with fervor burn,
And from the world now let me turn;
Living for Thee, and Thee alone,
Bringing Thee pleasure on Thy throne;

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Only one life, yes only one,
Now let me say, "Thy will be done;"
And when at last I'll hear the call,
I know I'll say "twas worth it all;"

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last. "**

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

And when I am dying, how happy I'll be,
If the lamp of my life has been burned out for Thee

Over the past months since the Spring Fundraiser, many of our faithful supporters have continued to give toward the needs of the families we serve and we are so grateful to announce that our goal has not only been met, but exceeded! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts as we look ahead to giving God the glory for all the great things He's done and will continue to do! The part time employment we are providing an area mother has been working out beautifully and we are prayerful that we will be able to assist in getting a roof on the home of another area mother before snow flies! Thank you all so very much!